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EA ONLY FOR AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE ROBERT H. MILLER

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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE MILLER

1. HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NOMINATION TO KUALA LUMPUR. THERE COULD NOT HAVE BEEN A BETTER CHOICE. THIS IS AN INTERESTING POST WITH A GOOD STAFF AND ALL ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SERVING WITH YOU.

2. THE ONLY PROBLEM I CAN FORESEE IN REGARD TO YOUR ETA IS WHETHER YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PRESENT CREDENTIALS BEFORE JULY 4. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ENGAGE IN ANY "OFFICIAL" ACTIVITY, INCLUDING GIVING A NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION BEFORE PRESENTATION. WE ARE TAKING UP QUESTION OF TIMING WITH THE GOM, BUT TO SOME DEGREE THE ANSWER WILL LIE WITH A STUFFY AND RIGID PALACE PROTOCOL.

3. THERE ARE SEVERAL PERSONNEL QUESTIONS I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR LOOKING INTO:

A. CAN YOU TELL US WHO NEW DCM WILL BE SO I CAN WRITE HIM?

B. WHO IS NEW ECON COUNSELOR AND WHAT IS ETA?

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THIS INFORMATION IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE NEED TO MAKE SOME IMMEDIATE HOUSING DECISIONS THAT DEPEND VERY MUCH ON HIS FAMILY SITUATION. ALSO, DONN HEANEY, WHO HAS BEEN HERE TWO AND A HALF YEARS WILL BE DELAYING HOME LEAVE PENDING HIS ARRIVAL.

C. WHAT ARE CHANCES FOR LONG TERM TDY CONSULAR

OFFICER? (SEE KL 3107). IN THIS REARD, I SHOULD TELL
YOU THAT REFUGEES WILL BE ONE OF THE FIRST DIFFICULT
OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS YOU WILL FIND AT POST.

D. COULD YOU POSSIBLY PUSH SOME ORDERS FOR FRANK
BENNETT WHO WILL BE STAYING ON UNTIL YOU CAN RELEASE
HIM?

MRS. BENNETT WILL BE ARRIVING IN THE STATES SHORTLY
IN ORDER TO OPEN A HOUSE IN MCLEAN FOR THE BENNETT
CHILDREN. NOT ONLY IS FRANK OUT OF POCKET ON HER TRANS-
PORATION, BUT SHE CANNOT GET HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS OUT OF
STORAGE WITHOUT ORDERS.

4. I HAVE NOW BEEN TOLD THAT AMBASSADOR MACOMBER WILL
BE LEAVING ANKARA JUNE 14. GIVEN SITUATION THERE IT IS
NECESSARY WE HAVE SOME OVERLAP SO I WILL BE LEAVING HERE
JUNE 8 OR 9 AND BENNETT WILL BECOME CHARGE UNTIL YOUR
ARRIVAL.

5. AGAIN CORGRATULATIONS AND ALL BEST WISKX

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